

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Attorney Docket Q59675

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For: CONVERSION OF CONTIGUOUS CONCATENATION TO VIRTUAL
CONCATENATION IN A SYNCHRONOUS DIGITAL COMMUNICATION
NETWORK

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, insert the heading --**Background of the Invention**--.

line 3 (not including the title or paragraph spacing), delete "as set forth in the
preamble of claim 1".

line 5, delete "as set forth in the preamble of claim 5".

line 6-7, delete "as set forth in the preamble of claim 6" and insert --for

transmitting user data over a synchronous digital communication network--.

Page 3, after line 23, insert the heading --**Summary of the Invention**--.

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